

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

## REQUEST FOR CONTINUING EXAMINATION

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This is a request for filing a continuing examination under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 of prior application number 09/868,463 entitled Method of Characterization of Biological Entities filed on June 18, 2001

1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114 Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s). a. Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked. i. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_ ii. Other b. \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed i. Amendment/Reply ii. Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s) iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) iv. Other

2. Miscellaneous \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required) b. Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed. a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 08/2240  
i RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)  
ii. Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)  
iii. Other \_\_\_\_\_

## SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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